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Illinois Commerce Commission)

On its Own Motion)

vs.)

Illinois Bell Telephone Company)

Investigation of specified tariffs declaring certain)
services to be competitive telecommunications services)

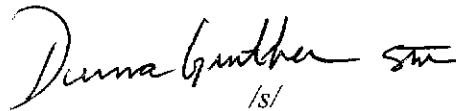
PETITION FOR LEAVE TO INTERVENE

Now comes AARP pursuant to the Rules of Practice of the Illinois Commerce Commission, 83 Ill. Admin. Code, Section 200.200, and prays for leave to intervene and to be made a party in the above-captioned proceeding. In support of this Petition, AARP states the following:

1. AARP is a nonprofit membership organization dedicated to addressing the needs and interests of persons 50 and older. AARP has staffed offices in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands. AARP represents more than 35 million members in total, more than 106 million of whom reside in the State of Illinois.
2. It is likely that a ruling by the Commission in this proceeding will affect the rights and interests of AARP members, many of whom are customers of Illinois Bell Telephone Company.
3. In order to protect the rights and interests of its members, AARP should be granted leave to intervene as a party to this proceeding. If this petition is granted, AARP will take the case where it currently stands and will contribute to the efficiency with which this proceeding may be conducted.

Wherefore, for the above-stated reasons, AARP prays that leave to intervene be granted by this Commission and that AARP be made a party to the above-captioned proceeding.

Respectfully submitted,



/s/
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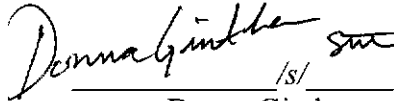
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NOTICE OF FILING

To: Service List Attached

You are hereby notified that I have this 24th day of May, 2006 filed with the Chief Clerk of the Illinois Commerce Commission a Petition for Leave to Intervene for AARP via the electronic e-docket system.


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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing Petition for Leave to Intervene of AARP were served upon the parties on the attached service list via electronic email on May 24, 2006.

_____/s/____
Donna Ginther
Manager, Advocacy

VERIFICATION

I, Scott Musser, of AARP,

hereby affirm under oath that I have knowledge of the contents of this Petition and it is true and accurate to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief.

Scott T. Musser

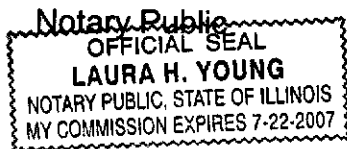
Name

Subscribed and sworn to before me

This 24th day of May,

2006.

Laura H. Young



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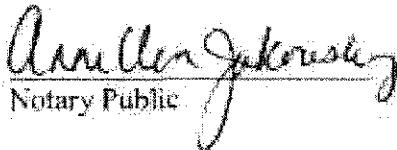
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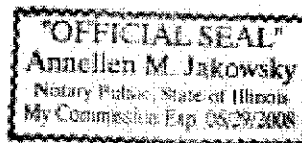
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I, Donna Ginther, being first duly sworn and on oath, state that I have read the foregoing Petition to Intervene that the contents are true and correct and if called as a witness I could testify competently thereto, except as to those matters which are stated upon information and belief, and as to those matters I believe them to be true.


Donna Ginther

Subscribed to and sworn before me
this 24th day of May, 2006


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